

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22-24 are pending in the application. In the office action, claims 1-20 and 22-24 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 5 of U.S. Patent No. 7,632,334. Claims 1-20 and 22-24 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 5 of U.S. Patent No. 7,625,422. Claims 1-20 and 22-24 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 5 of U.S. Patent No. 7,651,547.

Reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Nonstatutory Obviousness-type Double Patenting Rejections

Applicants submit concurrently herewith three (3) terminal disclaimers to overcome the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejections based on U.S. Patent Nos. 7,632,334; 7,625,422 and 7,651,547.

Withdrawal of the obviousness-type double patenting rejections is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSIONS

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any unpaid fees deemed required in connection with this submission, including any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or 1.17, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.

Respectfully submitted,

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